

Price, Heise answer township questions

This November's race for Plymouth Township supervisor will in all likelihood be decided next month.

Current Supervisor Shannon Price and Kurt Heise, a Michigan House of Representatives member, are competing in the Tuesday, Aug. 2, primary for the Republican nomination for supervisor. As there are no Democratic supervisor candidates — and the chances for an independent, thirdparty or write-in general-election candidate are slim — the Republican primary winner is almost certain to win in November. (Any potential third-party or unaffiliated candidates out there have until July 21 to file; if you're contemplating a write-in general-election

bid, you can wait a couple of months.) Price, a former Wayne County commissioner, was appointed to replace Richard Reaume, who was halfway through his third four-year term as supervisor when he resigned in April

2015. Price is campaigning for a full elected term.

Heise, who was among the contenders to replace Reaume last year, is term-limited in the House. He is the former director of the county's Department of Environment.

Heise will not appear on the ballot in August, but is running in the primary as a write-in. An oversight in his candidacy paperwork prompted a law-suit by Carl Berry, a Price supporter and former township police chief, seeking his removal from the ballot and after a lower court decision kept Heise on the ballot, the Michigan Court of Appeals on June 17 ruled he should be taken off.

The job of supervisor pays just over \$111,000 a year, plus benefits.

In written questionnaires, the Plymouth Observer asked a few basic questions of both primary candidates. Here are their answers.

SHANNON PRICE

Shannon Price, 45, is the Plymouth Township supervisor, appointed in April 2015 to fill the vacancy left by the



Price

resignation of Richard Reaume. Since 2013, he had been a Wayne County commissioner whose district included the township. Price has worked as an IT professional and in constituent relations for Bill Schuette, the Michigan

attorney general, and Mike Cox, who was the attorney gener-

al. He has a bachelor's degree in computer science from Baker College.

Q: Describe your understanding of the role of the township supervisor

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KURT HEISE

Kurt Heise, 50, is a third-term member of the Michigan House of Representatives in a district that in-



cludes Plymouth Township and Plymouth. He is an attorney specializing in municipal work, former director of the Wayne County Department of Environment and has been a college instructor. Heise has a bachelor's degree in

Heise

political science, a law degree, and a master's degree in law with a specialty in labor law.

Q: Describe your understanding of the role of the township supervisor and explain how you would work to

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Chalk artist Rachel Bissonnette works on a large chalk work at the intersection of Main Street and Penniman Avenue.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Early Friday afternoon brought crowds to Art in the Park, in spite of the hot and humid weather.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Scott Pakulski's photographs feature Lego people. He is from Ypsilanti Township. The name of his business is fatcat images.

Art in the Park opens



Township trustee hopefuls 1 talk PARC Matt Jachman Staff Writer

The Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex, a nonprofit center for athletic and cultural programs at the former Central Middle School, was a key issue during a forum for Plymouth Township Board of Trustees candidates.

PARC's founders, along with officials in the city of Plymouth, are push-ing for PARC to become a public entity for Plymouth and Plymouth Township residents. PARC opened at the former school a year ago and parts of the ag-

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Michael Parker sets up a jewelry display at his booth, Serendipity. Michael and wife Arleen Parker, based in Atlanta, Ga., have made jewelry for sale on the art show circuit since 1982.

Art in the Park, Plymouth's annual arts market and one of its biggest festivals, opened on a sunny Friday morning in Kellogg Park and on adjacent downtown streets and continues through 5 p.m. Sunday.

The fair, founded in 1980 and evolving ever since, brings more than 400 artists and craftspeople — and their works - to an open-air downtown market. There are painters, potters, sculptors, woodworkers, metalworkers, clothing designers, photographers and more.

Art in the Park also offers live entertainment and interactive features, such as the children's mural in Kellogg Park, to which young visitors can contribute

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by painting small sections, and "My Adventure Theater," also in the park, a

family-friendly performance. There's also "The Living Mural," on Ann Arbor Trail, a work-in-progress in which live models are incorporated into a painting, the sidewalk chalk art at Main and Penniman and a Detroit Institute of Arts tent in the park where festival-goers will be shown how to make flower designs through paperfolding.

Free entertainment will include the One Love Reggae Band, jazz musician Ron Hark, vibraphonist Jon Mel-O and John Park's "Funny Waiter Show!" See the Art in the Park website for details, locations and performance times.

At the PARC kids mural, Clarize Halliburton, 4, of Canton, paints a

square, with guidance from volunteer Patrick Distelrath. Clarize

attended with her mom, Danielle Halliburton.

One major change this year puts the off-site parking and shuttle at Burroughs on Plymouth Road and Madonna University on Schoolcraft Road in Livonia. Parking is free; round-trip shuttle rides, to city hall and back to the lot, are \$3, free for children ages 12 and under.

For more information, go to artinthepark.com or call 734-454-1314.

ing complex have been restored and redecorated. PARC is home to about a dozen different organizations, from theater companies to youth athletic teams to art workshops to the Michigan Philharmonic and even a music school.

Plymouth Township officials, however, have officially taken a "not interested" position on PARC, with the passage in January 2014 of a resolution to not enter any "authority-type agreements" with the city until at least Nov. 20 of this year - when a new township board will be sworn in.

Yet all six township board candidates at the June 30 forum indicated, with varying degrees of enthusiasm, that they would be open to exploring township support of PARC. The forum, sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County, was at the Plymouth District Library.

Incumbent Trustee Bob Doroshewitz, who is campaigning for a fourth term, said many PARC critics seem to be misinformed. Doroshewitz is a founding member of PARC and opposed the January 2014 resolution.

Critics have decried the lack of a formal business plan for PARC and say plans for renovating and adding to the complex could cost taxpayers \$40 million or more.

Candidates at the forum said just discussing PARC won't cost anything.

"I'm not in favor of any ban on discussions with anybody," said Jack Dempsey, an attorney who specializes in government work. "I'm not in favor

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fulfill that role.

A: The Plymouth Township supervisor is a full-time CEO position for what is a \$14 million public corporation. It requires a person with substantial experience in local government, and a solid education relevant to the job. I have a degree from the University of Michigan, two law degrees from Wayne State, and 25 years of real-world experience in local, county and state government. I have extensive experience in labor law and environmental policy. As supervisor, I will use my experience to change the culture at Township Hall. We will remove the patronage jobs, outside lawyers and lobbyists, and political gamesmanship from our local government --bringing transparency

and trust to everything we do.

Q: Cooperation between local governments has become more vital since the last recession. How would you, as supervisor, foster better relationships with neighboring communities that increase efficiency and save resources?

A: I've been fostering regional cooperation in southeast Michigan for 25 years. I helped create the Downriver Sewer System Joint Management Committee, chaired the Rouge River Remedial Action Plan, served on the blue ribbon committee for Lake St. Clair. and worked to create the Watershed Alliance Act of 2005. I also worked with Northville and Plymouth to tear down the Robert Scott, and now the De-HoCo prison sites. My substantial experience and fair dealing with our neighboring communities has earned me the support of Plymouth Mayor Dan Dwyer, Commissioners Dan Dalton and Colleen Pobur, and Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson. They know my track record of success.

Q: Much has been said about the current board's relationship with some elements of the community, and about poor relationships between some board members. How would you, as supervisor, work toward being able to disagree more agreeably, and toward gaining the respect of all voters, even those who speak up to oppose board actions?

A: We must change the culture at Township Hall, and the supervisor must lead this change. This begins by treating all residents, employees, and officials with respect, and making transparency a priority. I will begin by holding weekly

"study session" meetings where the next weeks' agenda will be thoroughly reviewed and all questions answered. I will have an "open door" policy all the time. All meetings will be televised live and put on-line immediately — and unedited. I won't blindside my colleagues with last-minute agenda items or keep certain officials in the dark. I will also create a "Citizens Advisory Council" where we can gain ideas and insight from our community members - especially our talented retirees who have so much to offer.

Q: Name your top two priorities for Plymouth Township and briefly describe how, as supervisor and a board member, you would go about addressing those priorities.

A: Plymouth Township government is on the wrong track. We're

We have also been working with the city to resolve the long-standing issue regarding legacy costs from the joint fire agreement. The city recently agreed to reimburse the township over \$330,000 for retiree health-care costs from 2012-2015. That is a good first step to addressing the nearly \$4 million in legacy cost the city owes the township. As supervisor I have been and remain committed to working with our neighbors and other community organizations.

being told everything is rosy, but we've neglected our basics — public safety and fiscal responsibility. As supervisor I will rebuild our fire department, starting with the reopening of Station 2 with full-time township firefighters, and resolve our contracts with our police unions. We must also confront our long-term debts and prioritize spending to pay down those obligations. We cannot continue the Wayne County-style budgeting, and misuse of special funds like the drug forfeiture account, if we want real fiscal stability.

Q: What is your view of the Plymouth Arts and **Recreation complex** becoming a public, taxpayer-supported entity for Plymouth and Plymouth Township residents? What is vour view of recent improvements to township recreation

facilities, especially **Plymouth Township** Park?

A: I support PARC. In any other community, where wealthy individuals invest their money to make life better for their neighbors, it's supported and encouraged. In Plymouth Township, however, PARC is seen as a political threat, and its efforts are undermined including a "gag order" resolution forbidding any discussion with the city of Plymouth on joint recreation. I will rescind that resolution, and have that discussion with the city. Frankly it's premature to say if PARC deserves taxpayer support. It would be prudent and responsible to see how their business model succeeds over the next several years. In the meantime, we need to stop all future projects at McClumpha Park, and cancel the amphitheater project once and for all.

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and explain how you would work to fulfill that role.

A: As supervisor, I serve as the chief elected official for the township, a \$30-million-a-year operation, and am responsible for the daily operation of all departments, including police, fire, building, assessing, information services, community development and public works. I serve as the treasurer for the Western Township's Utility Authority, and serve on the Board of Directors for 35th District Court.

As supervisor I work to maintain our lowest tax and water rates in Wayne County, our ranking as the second-safest community to live in Michigan, and the eCities Five-Star award for economic development. We welcomed over 3,000



new jobs to our community and coordinated over \$215 million of new investment. Additionally, we created a full-time senior center, added new family events like Back to School Drive-in Movie Night, and the Christmas tree-lighting.

Q: Cooperation between local governments has become more vital since the last recession. How would you, as supervisor, foster better relationships with neighboring communities that increase efficiency and save resources?

A: As Plymouth Township supervisor, I have worked with our neighbors and local organizations to improve on efficiencies and expand services for our residents; we share services such as sanitary sewer, 911 dispatch, court services, senior services. and senior transportation. We partnered with the Council on Aging, Plymouth Senior Club, and the city to offer a full-time senior center. Since January, participation in programing increased nearly 500 percent!

about poor relationships between some board members. How would you, as supervisor, work toward being able to disagree more agreeably, and toward gaining the respect of all voters, even those who speak up to oppose board actions?

A: As Plymouth Township supervisor I have done my best to be open, accessible, and transparent. I have held monthly open office hours for residents, have spoken to a majority of the homeowners associations, and have reinstated the quarterly homeowners associations presidents' meetings.

As for the members of the board, I understand that we will not always agree. While we may not always agree on an issue, we have to continue to work together professionally to move the township forward. There have been times when some board members have allowed politics to enter the board room, treating members of the board in an offensive way. I will continue to work with the board to keep politics out of the board room and encourage everyone to work together in the best interest of the township.

help us attract new businesses. In fact, last year we welcomed over 3,000 new jobs and over \$215 million of new investment in our community.

Second, I will continue to work with our neighbors to improve our community, and that includes resolving the dispute with the city on the joint fire agreement. The outstanding bill on the legacy costs have created a dark cloud over our community. While I stand committed to working with our neighbors, I will make sure I always put Plymouth **Township first!**

Q: What is your view of the Plymouth Arts and Recreation complex becoming a public, taxpayer-supported entity for Plymouth and Plymouth Township residents? What is your view of recent improvements to township recreation facilities, especially Plymouth **Township Park?**

A: The leaders of PARC have promised a business plan and an economic impact study. However, the township has not received any such plans or studies. In fact, they have said that they will not produce one

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Q: Much has been said about the current board's relationship with some elements of the community, and

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Q: Name your top two priorities for Plymouth **Township and briefly** describe how, as supervisor and a board member, you would go about addressing those priorities.

A: My first priority will be keeping Plymouth Township on the right track with low taxes, water rates, and safe neighborhoods. As a homeowner and father of two. I understand the importance of low taxes and low water rates. As our supervisor, I understand how our low taxes and water rates

until after the August election. Why?

It is estimated that 800-seat theater they would like to build would cost taxpayers over \$40 million and that does not include the additional parking structures that would be required by such a complex. Similar projects in surrounding communities tend to lose a lot of money. For example, the Village Theater loses \$400,000 a year.

Before we ask voters to raise taxes in excess of \$40 million, we need to make sure that we have business plan that verifies the project is needed and viable.



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Tipping Point Theatre plans for 10th season

Since 2007, Tipping Point Theatre's intimate space, talented artists, and friendly staff have captivated more than 110,000 theater-goers. After nine seasons of award-winning performances, the theater has set the bar high for its 10th season.

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ART IN THE PARK

Oct. 23

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"Sexy Laundry" by Michele Riml; Jan. 19
through Feb. 26, 2017
"True West" by Sam Shepard; March 23
through April 23, 2017 » "The Ladies Foursome" by Norm Foster; May 18 through June 25, 2017

» Young Americans: The Fictional Life and Contentious Death of Caesar Moon" by David Wells; July 20 through Aug 20, 2017

This activity is supported in part by an award from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts. Tipping Point Theatre performances begin at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. One special Wednesday matinee for each production will be held. Tickets range from \$22 to \$35.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Marlene Hamme, a resident of Ann Arbor, looks at the work of Atlanta, Ga.-based artist Jim Zhang.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Art, crafts and smoothies are just a few of the items you'll find at Art in the Park.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Friday afternoon at Art in the Park.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Paul Gilbert of Plymouth makes a few adjustments to his booth display. His photo of Detroit and other vintage scenes are hand-colored with oils.

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of tax increases and I understand there are a lot of things that could be done before that."

"Let's look at it. If it makes sense ... let's get involved," said Gary Heitman, a consultant and retired Ford Motor Co. project manager.

"There's no harm in it (talking)," said Don Schnettler, a Washtenaw County building official who has run previously for township office. "If you disagree, you walk away. If you agree, you work on it."

Chuck Curmi, an incumbent campaigning for a sixth term, and Michael Oliansky were a bit more skeptical.

"It's going to take a lot of analysis to determine if this makes sense," said Curmi, a project manager, of PARC. He pointed out



have to make a case for what's unique and beneficial about PARC," said Oliansky, the research director at an advertising agency.

The six candidates at the forum, all Republicans, are among 10 candidates in the Tuesday, Aug. 2, Republican primary. The top four finishes will move on to the Tuesday, Nov. 8, general election, but there are no Democratic candidates for the board. A third-party candidate, Joseph LeBlanc, is running in the general election as a Libertarian; he was nominated through his party's internal process

Board candidates Thomas Parelly, Theresa Somercik, Alexander Roehl and Mike Kelly, an incumbent, did not attend the forum.

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Interest rates on new federal student loans dip

David Jesse Michigan.com

Students about to hit college campuses are getting good news - the interest rate on new federal student loans just dropped, although that is tempered by the fact that every Michigan public univer-sity just increased tuition rates for this fall.

Here's the drop:

» Loans for undergraduates: 3.76 percent (down from 4.29 percent)

» Loans for graduate students: 5.31 percent (down from 5.84 percent)

» PLUS Loans for parents: 6.31 percent (down from 6.84 percent) That's for any new loan

originated after July 1. That's because in 2013,

Congress changed how stu-

dent loan interest rates are set, moving from setting a number each year to basing it on the 10-year U.S. Treasury note rate in the spring of each year, plus a set increment for each fee. The rate is then locked in for the life of the loan

This is the second year in a row rates have dropped under the new plan.

That's good news for Teresa Walter, 18, of Novi, who is about to head off to Wayne State University. She's not quite sure how much she's going to need to borrow yet. 'So less interest is good,

but tuition keeps going up, she said. "It all evens out in the end."

Wayne State raised tuition late last month 3.8 percent on lower-division students (freshmen and sophomores) and 4.5

percent on upper-division students (juniors and seniors). That's an average of 4.1 percent and keeps Wayne State under a statewide tuition cap of 4.2 percent.

Every other Michigan public university has also raised tuition for next year.

Eastern Michigan voted to raise tuition 4.1 percent. Among Michigan schools that have approved tuition increases for the fall: University of Michigan, 3.9 percent; Oak-land University, 3.95 percent; Michigan State University, 3.7 percent for in-state freshmen and sophomores and 3.9 percent for juniors and seniors.

Borrowing to go to school is becoming more common: 63 percent of those who go to college in Michigan borrow money to go to school.

And there are lots of Amer-

icans who haven't been able to make their payments after graduation.

Twenty percent of all federal loan borrowers have defaulted on their loans, according to new data released by the federal government last week. That translates into \$121 billion of loans in default. That same data show 40 percent of all borrowers are not making any payments and are in some sort of forbearance, delinquency or default.

Michigan's graduates had a default rate of 12.8 percent in 2015, the latest state-by-state breakdown shows.

A 2015 report from the nonprofit Project on Student Debt at the Institute for College Access & Success shows the average 2014 graduate of a Michigan college had \$29,450 to pay back on federal student

loans. That's up considerably from a decade ago, when grad-uates left owing \$18,754 on average.

According to the latest numbers issued in early May by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Americans added \$29 billion of student loan debt last quarter. In comparison, Americans added \$120 billion in mortgage debt and \$7 billion in auto debt. However, Americans decreased their credit card debt by \$21 billion in the last quarter.

Americans continue to owe more money on student loans than any other type of debt besides home mortgages. Student loan debt owed is now \$1.26 trillion. That's more than Americans owe on auto loans (\$1.07 trillion) or credit card debt (\$712 billion).

Canton student heads to international math competition

A Canton resident is among six students who have been selected to represent the United States at the 57th International Mathematical Olympiad, also known as the world championship mathematics competition for high school students.

The U.S. high school students will be riding on the back of last year's team victory, the first U.S. win in 20 years. This year, more than 100 of the world's best teams

will meet July 6-16 in Hong Kong to try their hand at some of the world's most challenging proof-style problems. The U.S. team will be accompanied again by head coach Po-Shen Loh (Carnegie Mellon University) and deputy coach Razvan Gelca (Texas Tech University).

Canton resident Ankan Bhattacharya (International Academy East, Troy); Michael Kural (Greenwich High

School, Riverside, Conn.); Allen Liu (Penfield Senior High School, Penfield, N.Y.); Junyao Peng (Princeton International School of Mathematics and Science, Princeton, N.J.); Ashwin Sah (Jesuit High School, Portland, Ore.); Yuan Yao (Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, N.H.)

Two are veteran competitors: Liu and Kural were both on last year's winning team. Competing in Chiang Mai, Thailand, in what has been called the hardest-ever IMO, Liu earned a gold medal for his individual score and Kural took home a silver.

Each year, the U.S. team members are selected through a series of competitions organized by the MAA American Mathematics Competitions program. The teammates attended the MAA's Mathematical Olympiad Summer Program, which is hosted at Carnegie Mellon University . The



Team members include Ankan Bhattacharya, Michael Kural, Allen Liu, Junyao Peng, Ashwin Sah and Yuan Yao.

six team members are among 70 other rising mathematics students honing their problemsolving skills in the weeks leading up to the IMO.

Although another team victory would be exciting, Loh said the training has a broader goal. "We've been running the national Olympiad training

program with a focus on the long-term development of our country's mathematical talent," he said. "My objective is to deliver an enriching experience and develop a sense of mission to use (students') analytical talents to improve the future of the world.'



The team members are:

ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

University of Akron

Andrew Souders of Canton graduated this spring with a bachelor of arts in economics.

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Find the 2015 Rogue at Nissan of Canton

The 2015 Nissan Rogue is an appealing compact SUV with a robust exterior and a high-quality look. Its sporty appearance is complemented with updated interior features. You can check out the the available models at Nissan of Canton located at 42175 Michigan Ave., just west of I-275.

Styling

Nissan has definitely succeeded in crafting a compact SUV that many find appealing. The Nissan-family look is in full force, with more than a passing resemblance to the bigger Pathfinder. The look is more aggressive than its competitors, with bulging wheel arches and a bigger nose than the Honda CR-V or Toyota RAV4. Seventeen-inch steel wheels are standard on the base S trim, with 17-inch alloy wheels standard on the mid-level SV trim and 18-inch alloy wheels standard on the top-line SL trim. New LED running lights up front and angular taillights make the Rogue distinctive even in the dark.

How it drives

The Rogue's powertrain is a 2.5-liter fourcylinder engine making 170 horsepower and mated to a continuously variable automatic transmission. Front-wheel drive is standard and all-wheel drive an option.

Handling is sharp. The thick steering wheel delivers excellent feedback to the driver. Brakes are very strong and firm, with excellent pedal feel and no noticeable fade.

The standard frontwheel-drive Rogue gets an EPA-rated 26/33/28 mpg city/highway/combined.

Interior

Nissan paid a lot of attention to the interior, creating a cabin that is



The 2015 Nissan Rogue's bold, sharp bodylines offer a sporty and confident appearance, balancing its sleek style with an aggressive stance provided by large wheelwells and available 18-inch wheels and tires.



Nissan paid a lot of attention to the interior, creating a cabin that is inviting, attractive and comfortable for a variety of body types.

inviting, attractive and comfortable for a variety of body types. Slide into the driver's seat and the combination of command seating and low dashboard creates excellent visibility to the front and sides.

Seating is flexible, spacious and comfortable.

The second row of

seats is also quite spacious at 37.9 inches, with la much more legroom than pr expected for a compact va SUV, stadium-style layout and long, tall windows for rear seat passengers. in

Ergonomics and electronics

Gauges are easily visible through the steering wheel and include a 5-inch color LCD, the largest in any Nissan product, to display a variety of customizable vehicle information.

A full complement of information and entertainment electronics are available, including navigation, satellite radio and Bluetooth streaming audio and phone connectivity. The Rogue features not only a backup camera but Nissan's Around View Monitor, which uses cameras to display a 360-degree live feed of the Rogue's environment on the touchscreen.

Cargo and storage

Pop the rear hatch (a power liftgate is optional) to reveal a spacious cargo area with low bumper liftover. The second-row seats fold flat in a 40/20/ 40 split, and the levers are accessible with a stretch from the cargo area to unlatch the seatbacks. Fold the front passenger seat flat as well to get a cargo area able to accommodate an 8-foot ladder. For models without the third-row seat, under-floor storage is presented with two reconfigurable dividers that can also act as package shelves.

The Rogue cargo volume area is 39.3 cubic feet of space available behind the second row of seats.

Some notable features of the 2015 Rogue include

the following:

Exterior highlights » 17-inch steel wheels;

17- and 18-inch alloy wheels available » Halogen headlights » LED daytime running lights » Rear spoiler

» Available power moonroof

» Available fog lights
 » Available power
 liftgate

» Available heated outside mirrors

Interior highlights

» Available front seat warmers

» Six-way adjustable driver's seat

» Six front storage areas

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Under the Hood

» 170-horsepower, 2.5-liter four-cylinder engine

 » Continuously Variable Transmission
 » Front- or all-wheel

drive » Active Trace Control, Active Engine Braking and Active Ride Con-

Safety features

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» Required in every new car: front airbags, anti-lock brakes and an electronic stability system

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 door locks

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Lawrence Tech graduates are in demand

Even as they graduated, members of Lawrence Technological University's Class of 2016 were already making their mark in science, engineering, architecture, design and business. A survey from the university's Office of Career Services showed that as of commencement May 7, nearly 88 percent of graduates had found employment or were headed for more advanced degrees, according to a press release

The overall "success rate" --- defined as graduates who had found employment or were starting their own businesses, going to graduate school or into government service such as the armed forces or the Peace Corps — was 87.7 percent for the 415 eligible graduates surveyed. That's up from an 82.3percent success rate for the Class of 2015, LTU says

The undergraduate success rate for 2016 was 84.4 percent, while the graduate student success rate was 91.2 percent.

LTU's survey also asked the salary those who had found employment would receive. The mean overall salary in



Lawrence Technological University's Spring 2016 commencement, which was held May 8 at the Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Pontiac.

the survey was \$56,560. For those receiving undergraduate degrees, the mean salary was \$48,986; for those receiving graduate degrees, it was \$63,548, LTU says. The **Brookings Institution**

recently ranked LTU fifth in the nation for providing the most value added in preparing graduates for well-paying jobs.

"Employers really value our graduates,"

said Margaret "Peg" Pierce, LTU's director of Career Services. "We hear it from employers all the time, that when they hire someone from Lawrence Tech, it's someone they can really

get behind. It's also a good economy right now, we know that, and our students have a lot of opportunity in engineering. But construction, design, architecture and business are all growing

and our students are very much in demand in those industries as well."

LTU President Virinder Moudgil said: "A college education is a major investment for families and these numbers show that prospective students and parents can be confident that when it comes to Lawrence Tech, that investment is a sound one."

Lawrence Technological University, www.ltu.edu, is a private university founded in 1932 that offers more than 100 programs through the doctoral level in its Colleges of Architecture and Design, Arts and Sciences, Engineering and Management. PayScale lists Lawrence Tech among the nation's top 100 universities for the salaries of its graduates and U.S. News and World Report lists it in the top tier of best Midwestern universities. Students benefit from small class sizes and a real-world, hands-on, "theory and practice" education with an emphasis on leadership, LTU notes. Activities on Lawrence Tech's 107-acre Southfield campus include more than 60 student organizations and NAIA varsity sports.

P-CCS school board has four open seats

The Plymouth-Canton **Community Schools** Board of Education has four open seats that will be decided in the Nov. 8, general election.

One of the four seats that are available (currently held by John Barrett) is a four-year term, starting in January 2017.

Three of the four seats available (currently held by Sheila Paton, Patrick Kehoe and Mike Maloney) are six-year terms, starting in January 2017.

If you are interested in running for one of these seats, apply at the city of Plymouth clerk's

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office (201 S. Main St., Plymouth) by the statemandated deadline of 4 p.m. Tuesday, July 26.

For more information and details, contact Plymouth Clerk Linda Langmesser at 734-453-1234, ext. 234, or at llangmesser@ci. plymouth.mi.us.

Pagan opposes Snyder's appeal of teacher health care ruling

State Rep. Kristy Pagan, D-Canton, expressed her strong opposition to Gov. Rick Snyder's decision to appeal a Court of Appeals ruling that would return a 3percent retirement health care contribution to teachers and other public school employees.

This court decision would return more than \$550 million withheld from school employees' paychecks to fund the Michigan Public School **Employees Retirement** System. Pagan called on the governor to re-evaluate his decision and end his appeal immediately.

'Our teachers and school employees were

paychecks were diverted to a retirement savings account," Pagan said. "This

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our hardworking educators and public school employees and it is deplorable that Gov. Snyder would want to challenge this decision.

In 2010, a law went into effect that would require school employees to contribute 3 percent of their pay to retirarguing that the law violated state constitutional protections.

The money that was withheld from the paychecks of teachers and school employees between the years of 2010-13 is being held in an escrow account. It currently exceeds \$550 million. Following losses in both the trial court and Court of Appeals, the state asked the Supreme Court to hear the case, but the Supreme Court sent the case back to the Court of Appeals. This resulted in a June 7 ruling stating the money was collected unconstitutionally and should be returned to teachers and



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Janet Haley will play the role of Jaques in "As You Like It."

Shakespeare Fest returns to Village Theater

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is once again teaming with the Michigan Shakespeare Festival to present a three-week



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This innovative therapy is particularly effective in treating such conditions as degenerative arthritis, degenerative cartilage and ligaments, bone spurs, degenerative joint disease, bursitis and tendonitis. According to Stem Cell Institute of Michigan's chief medical officer, patients can experience a significant decrease in pain and an improvement in range of motion within weeks of one treatment.

run of performances from July 29 through Aug. 14 in Canton. This year's 22nd festival season will feature productions of William Shakespeare's "As You Like It" and "Richard II," as well as Karen Tarjan's "The Killer Angels," based on the novel by Michael Shaara.

"After the success of last year's Michigan Shakespeare Festival run of performances in Canton, we are thrilled that they are continuing to expand their reach into the Canton community this summer," Canton arts coordinator Jennifer Tobin said. "The return of this limited-run engagement will give our residents the opportunity to see professional Equity actors performing classic theater in repertory and will help to demonstrate why the classics continue to endure.'

The state of Michigan's official Shakespeare festival's 2016 season opens July 7 at the Potter Center in Jackson and will move its productions to The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, starting July 29. This year's productions include:

include: "The Killer Angels" — The festival will present the Pulitzer Prizewinning book based on the Battle of Gettysburg in 1863. This is a stage adaptation of Michael Shaara's novel. Playwright Karen Tarjan has adapted the novel, which Janice Blixt, the festival's artistic director, will direct. This is the theatrical premier of this piece.

» "As You Like It" — This comedy features Rosalind and Celia fleeing to the forest, where they meet others, like themselves, who have created a society outside

Rob Kauzlaric takes on the role of Richard II.

the strictures of the city and eventually find their true loves and their true selves.

» "Richard II" — This drama tells the story of a boy who became England's king before he was 10. The prequel to last year's "Richard IV" is directed by Janice Blixt and stars Robert Kauzlaric as Richard.

Tickets are on sale now for the Canton performances of the 2016 season, including season flex passes, at www.cantonvillagetheater.org. A flex pass will include one ticket to each production and show dates and times can be chosen at the time of purchase or at a later date. Ticket prices range from \$16 to \$40, depending on patron's age.

Founded in 1995, the Michigan Shakespeare Festival is a 501(c)3 notfor-profit professional theater company operating under a League of Regional Theatres Letter of Agreement with the Actors' Equity Association. The MSF is dedicated to entertaining and educating a broad-based audience through professional performances of Shakespeare's works and other classic plays.

The Village Theater is a regional center for the arts that offers the magic of live theater, soul-stirring music, the thrill of the dance and the enjoyment of fine art exhibitions and events, in addition to providing a home for several cultural organizations and community groups. For additional infor-

For additional information about the Michigan Shakespeare Festival's collaboration with The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, go to www.cantonvillagetheater.org or call 734-394-5300. "Our patients say the results are magical," "In time, it's our hope that this truly amazing therapy will eliminate the need for drugs and surgery."

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Local PAC focuses on politics, animal welfare

Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

Forget the squeaky toy and catnip mouse. Give your dog and cat a little political clout.

"We want every Michigan voter who cares about animals to join their voting bloc because that is where our power is," said Courtney Protz-Sanders, a trustee for **Michigan Political Action** Committee for Animals. "Our power is in the vote

MI-PACA, a Southfield-based political action committee, advocates for animal protection laws, while also endorsing like-minded state, county and local candidates for public office. It also works to defeat legislation and elected officials who oppose its cause.

Voters can sign up to become part of its voting bloc through MI-PACA's website. In return, the PAC will inform them of pending legislation, political endorsements and animal welfare issues.

"If there is a big issue in their city, we'll shoot them an email and let them know what is going on," Protz-Sanders said. "For folks who want to take that a step further, they can become a MI-PACA volunteer and we'll work with you on what role is best for you."

MI-PACA's city coordinators keep tabs on local council meetings and county captains follow county-level activity in Oakland, Genesee and St. Clair counties

"Wayne County does not have a county captain. We'd love to get more active in that area," Protz-Sanders said.

Outdoor cats

Suzanne Zimmerly of Farmington Hills took on the coordinator role in her community last year. She also volunteers for Protz-Sander's foster-



Courtney Protz-Sanders of MI-PACA emcees a rally in Lansing to end dog breed discrimination.

based animal rescue. Paws for Life, located in Troy

"I spoke at city council about the need for a TNR program in Farmington Hills," said Zimmerly, who has fed and trapped feral cats for spay or neutering and release for several years. "So far nothing has happened, but I'm going to keep at it. I'd like the city to pass something, a proclamation or statement that says the city supports TNR. It doesn't need to be anything detailed, just something that says the those who choose to house and care for them are free of any penalties."

During an upcoming council meeting, Zimmerly also plans to share information about products and methods that can be used to keep deer out of backyard gardens.

'My main goal is I monitor city council meetings and check to see if anything is going on with animals," she said. "In the middle of last summer, there was a discussion about deer problems. Several people complained about deer. That was when I really started paying attention."

Zimmerly is interested in animal shelter reform and ending laws that discriminate against certain dog breeds. She's new to political advocacy, but says she is learning to "stay aware" and speak out.

Public policy

Advocacy comes naturally to Andrew Sarpolis, MI-PACA's city coor dinator in Novi. He works for the Sierra Club as a community organizer in Michigan cities affected by pollution from coal-burning plants. He advocates for the retirement of those plants and has seen some success from his efforts.

MI-PACA endorsed him for Novi City Council last year and, although he lost, Sarpolis, who owns a rabbit and a dog, plans to continue representing the PAC at council meetings.

"If you are someone who cares about animal welfare and are looking for an effective way to influence positive change, there is no better way than public policy," he said. "I do encourage people to volunteer at a local shelter, but they can get active and get good legislation passed and save thousands of animals.

"Some of this is just common sense, not having animals on a tether 24 hours a day, (ending) breed specific legislation. I'll continue as an advocate to push these issues. I think these are non-partisan issues."

Ongoing issues

MI-PACA is supporting state legislation that would allow passersby to rescue a pet from a locked, hot car, without

fear of liability for damage to the vehicle. Another bill would prohibit unsupervised pets in a parked car in extreme temperatures

'We're in a state where we see extreme weather conditions so it makes sense to us, Protz-Sanders. "We're going to support it and we think it will pass in the fall."

She also hopes legislation prohibiting dog breed discrimination will be approved this year, making Michigan the 21st state to outlaw breed bans

MI-PACA worked with Hazel Park to lift a ban on pit bulls in the city and re-write its outdoor tethering law. Dogs can no longer be tethered outdoors 24/7 and an adult must be present while the dog is tethered. Protz-Sanders said changes in tethering laws have a positive effect on public safety.

"Downriver there are

13 communities that have banned 24/7 tethering," she said. "We're working with Detroit right now on an ordinance.'

MI-PACA also wants to reinstate the requirement that public shelters hold stray dogs and cats for four days before transferring them, killing them or making them available for adoption. It is lobbying against HB 4915 that would remove all hold time for cats.

"For people who have lost their family cat, that's like stealing it. You have to give them an opportunity to find and reclaim their animal," she said.

Shelter reform

MI-PACA grew out of an advocacy group, Oakland County Animal Advocates, that had called for program and policy changes at the county's animal shelter.

"We decided to work with the county commissioners and in 2013 we officially formed MI-PACA so we had a little credibility behind our name," Protz-Sanders. "We were willing to organize other voters to get stuff done.'

Protz-Sanders said the PAC likely will endorse Vicki Barnett of Farmington Hills in her bid against L. Brooks Patterson for county executive.

In the meantime, she is proud of MI-PACA's role in making positive changes at Detroit Animal Control.

"We had tremendous success in hiring a compassionate director who is doing everything in her power to turn that place around," she said. That is a success I'll take to my grave.'

For more information about MI-PACA's monthly meetings, go to mipaca.org or visit it on Facebook

sdargay@hometownlife.com





COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MUSIC MAN

Time/Date: 7 p.m. July 14-17 and 2 p.m. July 16-17 Location: Village Theater at

Cherry Hill in Canton Details: The six-time, Tony Award-winning musical comedy "The Music Man, Jr." includes many of the toe-tapping iconic songs to grace the stage and a story that the whole family can enjoy Presented by Spotlight on Youth with more than 50 local youths from Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, Northville and other areas, this production features wit, warmth and good, oldfashioned sentiment

Contact: 734-394-5300 or online at or spotlightonyouthmi.org or cantonvillagetheater.org

WORSHIP IN THE PARK Time/Date: 11 a.m. each Sunday.

July 10 through Aug. 21 Location: Cherry Hill Village Schoolhouse, corner of Ridge and Cherry Hills roads, across from the Village Theater. Details: St. John Michael Lutheran hosts worship services in a casual atmosphere. Professionally managed childcare will be provided

Contact: Church office, 734-459-3333 or go to

www.connectingwithGod.org. **CANTON CONCERTS**

Time/Date/Location: 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, Westland Farmers Market pavilion and noon Saturday, Aug. 27, Canton Lions Club corn roast, Cady-Boyer Barn Details: The Canton Concert

Band performs its series, The Spirit of America **WOUNDED WARRIOR** YOGA

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m., for checkin and registration; 9 a.m., yoga begins

Location: Canton's Heritage Park

Details: Old Glory Flags and Flagpoles of Livonia and Canton Leisure Services have joined forces to host "Yoga In the Park" with Dan Nevins to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project

Cost: Tickets are on sale at https://activenet.active.com/ canton; search for Dan Nevins. Tickets are \$35 online and will be \$45 the day of the event. Ticket price includes a Wounded Warrior Project yoga mat and carrying bag, as well as a Wounded Warrior Project support bracelet, while supplies last. Participants will also receive a tax statement at the end of 2016 stating the portion of your donation that is tax-deductible.

Contact: 734-394-5360. WAYNE STATE CAMP

Times/Dates: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each weekday, July 18-29



Spotlight on Youth presents "The Music Man, Jr.," July 16-17.

Details: Applications are being

University China Corps Summer

accepted for the Wayne State

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Center, 33737 W. 12 Mile in

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FASHION SETTERS

Time/Date: Museum hours,

Location: Plymouth Historical

Details: The First Ladies Fashion

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ladies throughout history. Other

memorabilia highlighting elec-

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center.

EXHIBIT

Museum

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Students should be committed

read and write Chinese.

Cost: Camp costs \$199; a 10-

Farmington Hills. Students in

ladies will also be displayed **SUMMER ARTS COUNCIL CAMPS**

Time/Date: July 11 through Aug. 19

Location: Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, at Junction, south of M-14 in Plymouth

Details: The PCAC will offer 40 camps in painting, filmmaking, photography, cartooning, graphic design, theater, music and more, with the emphasis on getting campers to "think outside the box" and not follow preconceived notions of art. Costs: Camp prices range from \$55 to \$145, with discounts for PCAC members.

Contact: View a complete schedule and register online at www.plymoutharts.com, or register by calling the PCAC at 734-416-4278 or stopping in during business hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday

MICHIGAN PHIL AT KENSINGTON

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 16

Location: Maple Beach at

Kensington Metropark Details: The Michigan Philharmonic performs "Star Wars & Sci-Phonic Favorites." Cost: Free with park entry.

CLASSIC CAR SHOW Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.,

Saturday, July 30 Location: First Baptist Church of Canton, 44500 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: The church will host a classic car show to raise money to help the youth group Cost: Visitors are asked to make a \$5 donation: Classic car owners can simply show up and pay a

\$10 entry fee to become part of the show Contact:

www.FBCCantonCarShow.com or call 734-776-8892 SEEKING

COMPASSIONATE VOLUNTEERS

Time/Date: Until September Location: Compassionate Care Hospice, 5820 N Lilley Road, Canton, Details: Compassionate Care

Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volunteers with big 1626

hearts to help with patient care and companionship, office support, group activities and more. Volunteer training sessions will cover mission and values, confidentially, communication and listening skills, grief, loss, the dying process and information pertinent to serving the needs of the patients. Interested volunteers may also choose to receive additional training and serve as specialized spiritual or bereavement volunteer. Interested volunteers must complete the online application process prior to training. Early registration is encouraged, as several steps are to be completed prior to the start of the training sessions. Next new volunteer orientation is Sept. 13 in the hospice office. Contact: Jeanne Edwards, volunteer coordinator, at 888-983-9050. **GRUB CRAWL** Time/Date: 6-10 p.m. Tuesday,

July 19

Details: Canton Chamber of Commerce hosts annual Grub Crawl with food samples, sweet treats and craft beer from 18 eateries and the Canton Brew

Works microbrewery Cost: \$35 per person for tickets

(T-shirts) and include transportation. They are on sale now and can be purchased at the chamber office, 45525 Hanford, online at

www.cantonchamber.com or by calling 734-453-4040.

DIVERSITY EXHIBIT

Time/Date: Exhibit runs through July 30. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. Wednesday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday

Location: Canton Historical Museum, on Canton Center, south of Cherry Hill.

Details: Wood carvings of Filipino dancers, Muslim prayer beads known as tasbih, a Buddhist monk's brass bowl and a Brazilian special-occasion dress are on display as a Canton Historical Museum exhibit pays tribute to this community's cultural diversity. Muslims, Filipinos, Sri Lankans, Brazilians and the American Federation of Ramallah, Palestine, are represented in the exhibit --- "A Diverse Township: Looking at Canton's Cultural Community." Cost: Free

CANCER SUPPORT

Time/Date: 6-7:30 p.m. the third Monday of each month

Details: Connecting with others who know what it is to have lung cancer can help during this difficult time. To start, join the Lung Cancer Support Group at the Beaumont Cancer Center-Farmington Hills, 27900 Grand River Ave., Suite 230. Thoracic surgeon Dr. David Sternberg leads the group. The group is open to anyone living with lung cancer and their loved ones. Meetings are free the third Monday each month. For more information, call 248-473-4828.

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month.

Details: Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting a Men's Only Breakfast and Fellowship at Steve's Family Restaurant, 15800 Middlebeit Road, Livonia. Contact Dick at 313-534 0399

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the first and third Monday of each month. Details: Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting a Ladies Only Breakfast and Fellowship at Connor's Restaurant on Haggerty/Five Mile Road, Northville. To save a seat, contact Carol at 313-562-3080.

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the first Thursday of each month. Details: Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting Co-Ed Breakfast at Richard's Restaurant on Plymouth Road at Eckles Road. Contact Jerry at

734-455-2651.

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Some strategies to adapt to life after disability

ver the past 30 years, I have evaluated approximately 1,000 cases per year for the Michigan **Disability Determination** Service. These cases are of individuals who have applied for Social Security Disability Benefits because a mental disorder prevents them from working.

Often the presenting problems also entail alleged medical problems and physical limitations. The physical limitations may have come from a recent or remote trauma such as an industrial accident, an automobile crash, an assault on the streets, or a simple slip and fall in one's home. Also, some individuals are presenting with a lifelong affliction such as multiple sclerosis,



traumatic brain injury, domestic violence victim, epilepsy, etc.

The most frequent "alleged disability" for the DDS claims that I have been involved in seems to be depression and chronic pain.

Healthcentral.com ran an article on the overcoming of low moods due to physical disability. The article described tips on how to gradually adapt to limitations of physical disability and associated mental distress by finding modifications to what may have been activities of interest in the past.

An excellent source of

resources for adaptive activities can easily be found by accessing a PBS-TV weekly program called, "A Wider World." (Visit awiderworld.com.) The program presents an unprecedented array of modified activity programs which one can explore. Examples are wheelchair tennis, sled hockey, adaptive golf, choir therapy, therapeutic horseback riding, volunteer opportunities and the spectrum of events within the world of the Special Olympics and Paralympics.

Why me?

In my evaluations of Social Security applicants, I have found patterns of traits among people which enhance their odds of success in adaption to disability.

Those who don't have these traits seem more likely to be entrenched in depression and stuck in a "Why me?" mentality. Typically, they feel useless and hopeless. Those who hold up relatively better seem to have managed to develop an overall positive self-esteem and a determination that they deserve opportunities to enjoy, be part of, compete in, and otherwise be placed back into the mainstream of living. Some have gone through prior tragedies and had healthy role models. For those without such characteristics it can be helpful to assist their engagement with a psychotherapist who can provide meaningful psychotherapy relative to their world of emotional distress and physical loss/impair-

ment. Such individuals have been known to benefit from efforts to overcome challenges and to walk away from the "Why me?" attitude and develop the "Now what am I going to do about it?" position. A therapeutic relationship can be the start of a personal movement into the future and a relinquishing of the shackles of their past which have been punctuated by trauma, disability and loss.

It does take time and work by therapist and patient, but it can pay off by an internal change in attitude about one's self and the incorporation of one's disability into the fact of who he or she is. Mourning the loss of the prior healthy identity can be fostered by outward behavior of being in-

volved, included, and finding a way of becoming helpful to others. A quote from Bob Dylan by a young man with the orphan disease of neurofibromatosis can go a long way to explain the attitude of those who succeed and find life after tragedy by embracing the concept of, "Keep on keeping on."

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Crunch time for top juniors

USA Hockey Arena to host evaluation camp for World Juniors

Tim Smith Staff Writer

Spending hours inside a hockey arena isn't what most people put at the top of their to-do list for late July or early August.

But they might want to make an exception, with Plymouth's USA Hockey Arena poised to host an evaluation camp that will feature 42 top under-20 American players battling for a spot on the 2017 U.S. National Junior Team.

USA Hockey's National

Junior Evaluation Camp is set to take place from July 30 through Aug. 6 at the arena on Beck Road just south of Five Mile Road. There will be doubleheaders nearly every day of the camp, pitting games between the U.S., Canada, Finland and Sweden.

"These are absolutely our top under-20 players in the country," said Jim Johannson, USA Hockey assistant executive director for hockey operations. "These guys are one or

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RENA LAVERTY JUSA HOCKEY

Firing the puck against Michigan's goalie last season is NTDP U18s forward Kieffer Bellows, who will be part of the USA Hockey junior camp.

PREP BASEBALL

Big-league feeling for Manasa, Darden

East falls to West stars, but playing at Comerica rules

Marty Budner Staff Writer

Karl Kauffmann has now played baseball five times at Comerica Park. Mitchell Tyranski and Alex Darden have both played there four times.

By contrast, Alex Manasa had never played in the downtown stadium the Detroit Tigers call home prior to Wednesday. The four 2016 high school

The four 2016 high school graduates — Kauffmann and Tyranski from Brother Rice, Darden from North Farmington and Manasa from Farmington — were members of the East Squad in the 35th annual Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association East**VOLTAGE ELITE KICKS OFF**



Voltage Elite instructors Kevin Justice (left) and Deji Adebiyi (right) help campers Ken Fetolli and Dwayne Keinon with their footwork and agility.

Salem players on Brine National All-Star Team

Maddie Johnson and Leah Tardiff from Salem High School were named to the 2016 Brine National All-Star Team.

All-Star Team. Johnson and Tardiff will represent Michigan at the Brine National Lacrosse Classic, July 19-22 in Richmond, Va.

Johnson, a goalkeeper, and Tardiff, who plays midfield, are three-year players for Salem's varsity girls lacrosse team.

Both are entering their senior year and have verbally committed to play Division I women's lacrosse at University of Detroit Mercy. The Brine National

The Brine National Lacrosse Academy brings the top youth players in the nation to one venue. Regional teams coached by NCAA lacrosse coaches compete to be the national champion.

Intensity Track Club holding bowling fundraiser

Intensity Track Club, based out of Wayne Memorial, is holding its second annual bowling fundraiser this month to raise funds to travel to a USATF Elite Showcase July 22 in New Jersey.

The fundraiser will be 4-6 p.m. Sunday, July 17, at Merri-Bowl Lanes on Five Mile Road in Livonia.

Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at the bowling alley. Included for that fee are two hours of unlimited bowling, pizza and pop. There will be a 50/50

There will be a 50/50 raffle and other basket prizes. A GoFundMe account also is set up for Intensity.

Sports teams need coaches

West All-Star Classic held Wednesday evening at Comerica Park.

The West rallied to defeat the East, 8-3, in the nine-inning game played before an appreciative Comerica crowd that consisted mostly of family and friends. The score. though, was secondary to the experience.

All four players agreed it is a special feeling to share the same turf where Tigers stars Justin Verlander, Mi-

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MARTY BUDNER

Farmington outfielder Alex Manasa, playing in his first game at Comerica, was the only two-hit performer for the East.

THEIR KIND OF CAMP

Brand new football camp helps players of all ages to sharpen skills

Tim Smith Staff Writer

At one end of the football field behind the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex, youngsters ages 7-10 worked on pushups and agility with former Plymouth Wildcats varsity player Kevin Justice.

"It's important to get stronger, to build up your stamina," said Justice, one of the instructors helping out during Thursday's session of the inaugural Voltage Elite football camp. "If you can't last all four quarters, if you get tired, you make mistakes. "It doesn't matter if you're

Bo Jackson."

Nodding their heads before launching into another set of pushups were Callen Korytkowski, 10, Ken Fetolli, 10, and brothers Baron and Dwayne Keinon, ages 7 and 8, respectively. All live in Plymouth or Canton.

"It's really fun," Dwayne said during a pause in the activities. "We get to play



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO Despite a small turnout for Voltage Elite's inaugural football skills camp, founder Deji Adebiyi is optimistic about the program's future.

games, (work on) footwork and the drills. They're really fun."

Callen noted that he is enjoying the first couple of weeks of what will be a sixweek experience, "getting better as the days go on, working on your footwork and agil-

ity. It's cool."

Baron Keinon smiled when asked if he actually liked calisthenics, running or putting them up and laying them down through a rope ladder — one of Thursday's drills.

"Yeah, I do," Baron said. "We're doing footwork, throwing, pretty much everything."

Playing football all summer is a dream come true for Ken, who constantly had a football in his hand as he went through the various stations.

"Me and my friends at school play it basically every day," Ken said. "One of the skills I need to improve is my throwing. I want to be a quarterback, so I want to get that spiral down."

Hitting the target

Working at the opposite end of the field was Voltage Elite founder and 2015 Plymouth High School graduate Deji Adebiyi, who played football with classmate Justice.

Adebiyi, a standout football quarterback for the Wildcats, was helping Plymouth's projected 2016 quarterback Jonah Peterson with drop-backs and throws to a group of high

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» Salem High School is looking for a varsity girls swimming coach to succeed the retired Chuck Olson.

Interested applicants should email athletic director Brian Samulski at brian.samulski@pccsk12.com.

Minimum requirements include the following: high school graduate or equivalent; experience in high school coaching or competing at the college level in swimming; have a time schedule compatible with that of high school; CPR and/or first-aid training preferred; ability to work with parents and children.

» Livonia Clarenceville High School is searching for a boys varsity basketball coach.

The responsibilities include providing leadership and direction for the players (varsity, JV, freshmen and middle school) and assistant coaches, establishing cooperation and coordination at all levels, establishing a high level of self-discipline and self-confidence in all participants.

To apply for the position, email a letter of interest, coaching resume and references to kevin.murphy@ clarencevilleschools.org.



PRO BASEBALL

FAST DELIVERY Stevenson alums sign with Pirates

McDonald, Piechota parlay success in new USPBL into chance with MLB organization

Tim Smith Staff Writer

Jimmy John's is proving to quickly deliver the goods in more ways than the sandwich business.

Livonia Stevenson alums Chris McDonald and Evan Piechota recently pitched for different teams at Utica's Jimmy John's Field in the firstyear United Shore Professional Baseball League.

And recently, the former Spartan teammates signed contracts with the Pittsburgh Pirates organization. Both reported to minor league affiliate teams.

"This truly is a 'Made in Michigan' success story that hits close to home for the USPBL," said league founder and CEO Andy Appleby. "Our finishing school approach to make every player better has really paid off for these two.

"They represent the exact type of player we and our outstanding team of coaches are looking for to provide a true opportunity to make it to the big leagues."

After graduating from Stevenson, McDonald and Piechota continued to progress on the mound for Hillsdale College and Madonna University, respectively.

When Appleby's independent league took root this year, the pitchers quickly made the cut with the East Side Diamond Hoppers and Utica Unicorns, respectively.

With the Diamond Hoppers, McDonald baffled batters with a mix of changeups and fastballs. Piechota merely demonstrated outstanding fastball command, walking just one in more than 30 innings of work. Both are hitting the 90-mileper-hour mark on the radar gun, with McDonald reaching the mid-90s.

The duo cut their teeth pitching for the Spartans under Michigan High School Coaches Hall of Fame inductee Rick Berryman, who recognized both for exceptional baseball acumen and work ethic.

McDonald and Piechota parlayed that into successful college careers, with the Chargers and Crusaders, respectively.

They are the third and fourth USPBL players to be signed by Major League Baseball organizations since the league's Memorial Day debut.

St. Louis signed Ross Vance while the New York Yankees came to an agreement with Aaron Bossi; both played for the Birmingham-Bloomfield Beavers.

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Livonia Stevenson alums Chris McDonald (left) and Evan Piechota recently pitched at Jimmy John's Field in Utica for a first-year pro baseball league. Both recently signed with the Pittsburgh Pirates organization. Piechota also pitched for Madonna University.

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two years removed from stepping on the ice in the NHL in a couple cases, it's exciting hockey.

"This is the camp that Dylan Larkin was playing at last year."

Johannson, also general manager of the 2017 U.S. National Junior Team, chuckled when he brought up Larkin's name.

Last summer, Larkin was a relative unknown in Hockeytown, having just finished his freshman season at Michigan.

The forward from Waterford went on to go to training camp with the NHL team, made the opening day roster and stayed with Detroit all season — thus making him unavailable to skate for the U.S. in the 2016 World Juniors.

This year's group of American players looking to open some eyes include 35 who have been drafted by NHL teams, including 22 recently selected at the NHL Draft in Buffalo.

Familiar faces



Among players vying for a spot on the U.S. World Juniors team this year is forward Clayton Keller (No. 19), shown playing for the NTDP U18s against Michigan in January.

major junior circuits such as the Ontario Hockey League also will participate, including urday, July 6 twinbill, featuring U.S. vs. Canada at 7 p.m.) and they won't be disappointed.

g about 30.

"We'll have the camp there (in Plymouth) and then every-

HOT SUMMER HOCKEY

What: USA Hockey is holding it's National Junior Evaluation Camp from Saturday, July 30 through Saturday, Aug. 6.

Where: USA Hockey Arena, on Beck Road in Plymouth Township. Who: Forty-two American hockey players under age 20 will convene for a week of scrimmages, after which coaches will pick the top 30 or so to continue skating toward the goal of playing for the U.S. World Junior team this winter. Former U.S. NTDP players such as Kieffer Bellows, Clayton Keller and Matthew Tkachuk will lace up the skates; all were drafted by NHL teams in late June.

Opponents: The U.S. will face teams from Canada, Sweden and Finland, with doubleheaders each day beginning Sunday, July 31. The highlight of the schedule will be 7 p.m. Aug. 6, when the U.S. faces Canada.

Prices: All sessions are two games for the price of one and will be for general admission seating, with the exception of Saturday, Aug. 6 (reserved seating, \$15). Parking is free each day until Aug. 6 (\$5). **Info:** Call the USA Hockey Arena box office, (734) 453-8400, or visit usahockey.com.

Among those players are forwards Kieffer Bellows (New York Islanders), Clayton Keller (Arizoná) and Trent Frederic (Boston), who all skated for the U.S. National Team Development Program Under-18 squad in 2015-16.

All told, 11 members of the NTDP U18s will take part in the camp. Others include forward Joey Anderson; defensemen Adam Fox, J.D. Greenway, Chad Krys, Ryan Lindgren, Luke Martin; goalies Jake Oettinger and Joseph Woll.

Players from colleges and

Farmington Hills native Alex DeBrincat from the OHL Erie Otters.

"It's players from everywhere," Johannson noted. "(Rochester's) Max Jones is from London, Christian Fisher played in Windsor, (former NTDP player) Matthew Tkachuk played in London last year. ... And then there's college guys."

Fans will get the chance to watch two games for the price of one (just \$5 from Sunday, July 31 through Friday, July 5; admission is \$15 for the Sat"It's great hockey," Johannson said. "I think with Sweden, Finland, Canada, it's all perennial contenders for the championship. Almost all of the guys have been drafted pretty high in the NHL Draft on all of the rosters.

"It's very competitive hockey in August. ... Guys play extremely hard and have a lot on the line at the camp."

According to Johannson, U.S. head coach Bob Motzko and his assistants will use the evaluation camp to trim the number of hopefuls from 42 to one goes back to their respective teams," Johannson explained. "And then we'll gather again around Dec. 16, 17 and have a much smaller number (of players)."

The top 23 players ultimately will be named to play in the 2017 International Ice Hockey Federation World Junior Championship, slated from Dec. 26 through next Jan. 5 in Montreal and Toronto.

For a number of years, the evaluation camp has taken place in Lake Placid, N.Y., on an Olympic-sized sheet of ice. But because this year's World Juniors is taking place at NHL arenas (Montreal's Bell Centre, Toronto's Air Canada Centre), it was deemed prudent to hold the camp on a NHL-sized rink, which USA Hockey Arena has.

"The tournament the next three years is on NHL ice," Johannson added. "It made a lot more sense for us to put the competition on NHL ice."

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for that, for creating a camp

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school and college receivers. "We don't discriminate on age groups at all (with the Voltage camp)," said Adebiyi, who will play football this season at Ohio Wesleyan University. "Jonah's a kid, he wanted to do extra work so he comes out and I work with him. It's good because I get to work with him individually, some one-on-one stuff."

Peterson took a couple of steps back and threw the ball over the middle to 22-year-old wide-out Cheyne Lacanaria, a Farmington Hills native who also plays at Ohio Wesleyan. Right on the money.

"Right now, Deji's helping me with my confidence," Peterson said. "Last year, I had trouble with confidence. Football's mental and physical, he's helping both parts, with my three steps and just knowing I can do whatever, I have the mindset to do it.

"We're doing my routes. I'm going the progression I need to go through, doing (what) my coach told me to do."

Next for Peterson was another aerial strike, this one to former Novi Detroit Catholic Central receiver Ike Marchie, a 19-year-old from Canton.

Then came one in the direction of another current Wildcats player, receiver Chase



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO Kevin Justice (right) gives some pointers about the benefits of being fit to campers (from left) Ken Fetolli, Baron Keinon, Callen Korytkowski and Dwayne Keinon.

Timco. The high toss had to be reeled in.

"Coach him up, where's that tight spiral?" joked one of the other receivers, all clad in loose-fitting shorts and Tshirts on a scorching early afternoon.

Adebiyi said the turnout for the first Voltage endeavor wasn't what he had hoped, but he still enjoyed the chance to help encourage and instruct players regardless of their age or skill level.

"With the younger kids we have to go fundamentals. They're learning things like ladder work and teaching them things like character, off-the-field things," Adebiyi said. "When they come out here, they're having a blast. We have their parents coming up to us every day saying they can't get their kid to stop talking about it. We're really excited about that."

Passing it down

Marchie, who attends Brown University in Rhode Island, is not a regular Voltage camper (anybody can come out for a daily session, \$20). But he and Adebiyi are friends going back a few years and thought it would be good to



where kids can learn a lot and learn from young adults such as ourselves — as we're still learning about the game. We take the things we learn and pass it down to them. It's a great experience for everybody."

Peterson said Adebiyi is the perfect person to run Voltage Elite (which also has an AAU summer basketball team).

"He really knows what he's doing; he's a good leader," Peterson said. "He can inspire kids. He's inspiring me to do better, he's inspiring them. I think it's great what he's doing."

Meanwhile, Adibiyi said there is time for anybody to join the camp. Sessions continue at the PARC, 650 Church Street, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday. The final day is July 28.

"My thing is, I play college, so some of these drills I have to take a step back and realize these kids are what, 7, and 10 or 8," Adebiyi added. "That's a blast."

For more about the Voltage Elite football and basketball programs, go to voltageelite.com. Adebiyi also can be reached at 313-204-3106 or akadebiy@owu.edu.

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Running a route during the Voltage Elite football skills camp is Cheyne Lacanaria, 22, of Farmington Hills. He is a college player at Ohio Wesleyan University.

check out the camp.

"It's a great initiative that Deji (and Harman Sidhu and Josh Gendron) started," Marchie said. "I've had ideas like that. The biggest part of those ideas is putting them into action.

"And I commend Deji a lot

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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Cunningham thrilled to win 'Special' honor

Chiefs' longtime gymnastics coach earns national award

Tim Smith Staff Writer

Good things come to those who wait, and that applies to longtime Canton gymnastics coach John Cunningham.

Entering his 38th season with the Canton Chiefs, Cunningham is proud owner of a state championship, not to mention numerous regional and conference titles. And recently, he picked up another lofty prize when he was selected National High School Athletic Coaches Association's coach of the year in the "Special Sports" category.

cial Sports" category. Accompanied by his wife Sally, the veteran coach accepted the award June 29 in Louisville, Ky.

"I've been nominated before," said Cunningham during a phone interview this week. "I lost to a badminton coach from Phoenix. And I thought, you



On June 29 in Louisville, Ky., Canton gymnastics coach John Cunningham was named National Coach of the Year in the "special sports" category.

know, 'this isn't fair.'" Cunningham said that with a chuckle before turning serious again. "But our category, special sports, is very difficult," Cunningham noted. "One of the girls that was at the banquet was from Nordic skiing. I said, 'How in the world do they compare the success of a Nordic ski coach to a gymnastics coach?'

"I've been doing it a long time and I was absolutely, fantastically pleased to win."

According to Cunningham, the NHSACA awards National Coach of the Year to the top candidate in 20 categories; there are eight nominees per category.

"And in special sports, what they do, there's a number of sports that aren't offered in every state, one of which is gymnastics," he explained. "And so they pile all these special sports together."

Among sports included in the special sports category include gymnastics, skiing, cheer, field hockey, bowling, lacrosse, badminton and water polo.

Cunningham's Canton teams have been on an incredible streak of success in recent years, having placed first or second in the Michigan High School Athletic Association state finals five out of the past six years. The Chiefs captured the state title in 2014.

He also has coached 12 individual state champions.

"The tremendous success of 12 state champions and hard working, performing gymnasts make their coach look good," Cunningham said. "They collectively share this award. Many thanks to them."

At the top of the list of individual champions is Erica Lucas, who won three consecutive titles on Division 2 vault (2012-14).

Others listed by the MHSAA (which only provides info back to 1997), include Allison Kunz (D1 uneven parallel bars, 2015), Maddie Toal (D1 balance beam, 2014), Jocelyn Moraw (D1 beam, 2013), Alex Fidler (D1 beam, 2010), Alyssa Kelley (D1 vault, 2006), Hailey Hodgson (D2 beam, 2014) and Ayanna Lewis (D2 vault, 2011). Also winning individual championships for the Chiefs was Katie Gilles (vault, all-around, 1994).

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COURTESY COLLEGE BASEBALL MUSEUM AND HALL OF FAME Tom Paciorek takes a cut for the University of Houston, where he was a baseball All-America in 1967. Twenty-five years later, in 1992, Paciorek was inducted into the National Polish-American Sports Hall of Fame.

BASEBALL 'HOME AND ABROAD'

Baseball's international flavor is topic of talk

Filmmaker Rolak will discuss summer teaching baseball in Poland

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guel Cabrera and Victor Martinez display their skills.

For Kauffmann, Thursday's result marked the first time he's lost at Comerica. The Warriors won four straight Catholic League championships during his varsity career and each game was played during the afternoon. So the evening start time offered a different perspective.

"This is really cool. It's a different experience for me this time, because it's a night game," said Kauffmann, who will play college baseball at Michigan. "I mean, you get to see the downtown area all lit up and everything about it.

"We've always played day games and it's always really cool. But this atmosphere and getting to play against guys from across the state, it's not as serious, but it's still competition," he added. "You want to go out on a win. We didn't, but it's still fun."

Kauffmann started on the mound for the East and pitched a scoreless inning. He had a single in two plate appearances and scored the game's first run as the East took an early lead. Kauffmann played third base for a couple of innings later in the game. outfielders, so that allowed me to play the whole game. I would have liked to get a win, but the experience is what really counts."

Tyranski pitched the second inning without allowing a run.

"It is fun and it's a special experience every single time," Tyranski said. "It's great playing with such a great group of guys and it's a special event that I'll always remember. You can't ever take it for granted, because a lot of people don't get to do something like this."

Pitching and fielding

Darden's three previous games at Comerica were with the Raiders in non-league games against Midland Bullock Creek.

A pitcher/outfielder at North Farmington, Darden managed to play both positions against the West. Darden started in right field, where he played five innings. In the ninth inning, Darden, a lanky lefty who will play college baseball at Cincinnati, took the mound and did not allow a run.

'It's funny how amazed you get every time you play here," said Darden, who made a special effort to connect with players from his first Little League team — the Southfield Indians — who attended the game. "This is the biggest crowd I've ever played in front of. Just looking up and soaking it all up is amazing. 'My friends are here, my family is here and you can't ask for anything more than that," he added. "It was a great experience pitching here. I didn't want to give up anything, but I just wanted to have fun.' The East took a 3-0 lead in the top of the second after Kauffmann led off with a single and later scored on a single by Andrew Szalkowski (Utica Eisenhower), which also scored Devin Dudal (Sterling Heights Stevenson). Two batters later, Szalkowski scored an unearned run on an error.

during talk set for 7 p.m. Thursday at Plymouth District Library

Filmmaker Raymond Rolak will make an encore appearance at the Plymouth District Library at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 14.

His presentation is titled "The National Pastime at Home and Abroad." Rolak just returned from the 2016 College Baseball Hall of Fame induction in Lubbock, Texas. He will share humorous experiences that he encountered and will showcase his summer of teaching baseball in Poland.

Rolak says that the landscape of baseball is changing rapidly, especially in the international game.

The Plymouth District Library is at 223 S. Main in downtown Plymouth.

His discussion will also include the unique and often amusing experiences he had while teaching baseball in Poland.



COURTESY RAYMOND ROLAK Filmmaker Raymond Rolak will give a discussion 7 p.m. Thursday at the Plymouth District Library about baseball's international flavor.

"Poland is a wonderful destination and the value is great but they are having too much success," noted Rolak in a press release. "Krakow and Warsaw are now crowded in the summer. Remember they are attracting tourists from the global stage not just America and Canada. They now play baseball/softball at 36 locations in Poland."

Rolak will also platform how international baseball is growing and discuss the return of baseball & softball to the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

"The Slavic countries such as Belorussia, the Ukraine, Czech Republic and Poland are fast tracking their programs to get ready for 2020," Rolak said.

Part of the presentation will include the history of the world tour that A.G. Spalding sponsored in the 1890s to spread the popularity and education of baseball on a global scale. "This was my fourth time pitching out here and it's really cool just to get out there and take it all in," he said. "My whole summer team is out here and most of them are on the West team, so it was a great time."

Playing nine innings

Manasa was one of the few players who played all nine innings. He played center field and had an outstanding night at the plate with a double and single and was the only East player with more than one hit. He also had four putouts in the outfield.

Manasa, who will play collegiately at Oakland University, couldn't have been more grateful to play in the all-star game.

"I was looking forward to this so much," Manasa said while signing a few autographs in the visitors' dugout following the game. "This has been on my calendar for two months now. It was everything I had hoped for and more.

"It was an unbelievable experience. It loved it ... every bit of it. I was definitely a little nervous, coming out seeing this great park and seeing all the great players here.

"But once I got settled into the game, I found my mojo and played well," he added. "We didn't have too many

Park.

Those would be the East's only runs.

The West did not have a hit until Gunner Rainey's (Adrian Madison) fifth-inning single scored Drew Devine (Marshall). The West then exploded for four fifth-inning runs to take a lead it would never relinquish. The eventual game-winning RBI came on a double off the left field wall by Tyler Trovinger (Muskegon Mona Shores).

The West took command by scoring three eighth-inning insurance runs.

Caleb Scores (Gull Lake) was the winning pitcher. Lake Orion's Cameron Miller suffered the loss.



North Farmington's Alex Darden pitched one inning Tuesday at Comerica

Kensington Tour event in Novi gets good reviews

M.B. Dillon

Correspondent

Ties in two divisions sent golfers into sudden-death play, adding excitement June 27 to the inaugural Kensington Junior Golf Tour Links of Novi Open.

Atop the leader board with 82 after 18 holes on a pictureperfect summer day was Ben Cohen of White Lake in the boys 15-18 division, while Evan Johnson of Grosse Ile and Alex Willis of Howell deadlocked at 85 for second place.

"I struggled at the start, but turned it around by staying calm," said Cohen, 16, a student at Lakeland High School. "I was making a lot of putts. I just love this course. It's just really nice and the bunkers are perfect."

With a gallery cheering them on, Willis and Johnson



JIM SHAFFER The top two finishers in the boys 15-18 division were champion Ben Cohen (right) of White Lake and runner-up Alex Willis of Howell.

entered the playoff. Willis emerged with runner-up honors after the first hole.

Lauren Henry of Novi shot 90 to capture the girls 18-andunder division, followed by runner-up Despina Alexander, also of Novi, who shot 108. Madeline Townsend of Brighton placed third with 113, followed by Anna Haupt and Sara Haupt of Northville.

Westland's Troy Watson, who is state-ranked, and New Hudson's Jason Zobl tied for first with 18-hole scores of 84 in the boys 12-14 division.

Their gallery witnessed a two-hole playoff, with Watson eking out the victory.

"I was, like, driving it today – my longest was 250 yards. I smashed it," said Watson, who attends Johnson Upper Elementary. "My focus was getting on the green with my irons. My putting was just a little bit off."

Detroiter Vincent Levesque captured the boys 11-and-under title, carding a nine-hole round of 50.

For more information and a tournament schedule, go to kensingtonjuniorgolf.com.

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday

Contact: 313-533-1956; de-

» New Beginnings United

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Sunday

Location: 16175 Delaware at

troitinhispresence.org

Methodist Church

Puritan, Redford

www.newlifec

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Contact: 313-255-6330

» New Life Community

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday

Contact: 734-846-4615 or

ommunitychurch4u.com

Roman Catholic Church

Time/Date: 6:30 a.m. and 8

a.m. weekday Masses; 8 a.m.

Saturday Mass; 4 p.m. Sat-

Masses; Exposition of the

Blessed Sacrament, 7-8 a.m.

Monday-Friday; Eucharistic

Adoration, 9 a.m. Monday

Day Chapel; Sacrament of

Reconciliation, starting at

noon Thursday and 2-3:45

Road, Plymouth Township

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and

Location: 42021 Ann Arbor

Details: Both services feature

contemporary and traditional

worship music and in-depth

» Prince of Peace Lutheran

Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Sundays, with an education

hour 9:30-10:40 a.m. Social

hour follows each service.

Location: 37775 Palmer,

Contact: 734-722-1735

Time/Date: 5 p.m. every

Details: "Sunday Night

Contact: 734-464-0990

» Salem Bible Church

p.m. Wednesday.

second and fourth Sunday

Location: 11771 Newburgh,

Lights" service designed for

younger families; other ser-

vices are 10 a.m. Sunday and 7

Time/Date: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Sunday, 7 p.m. Wednesday

Location: 9481 W. Six Mile,

» St. Andrew's Episcopal

Contact: 248-349-0674;

» Riverside Park Church of

Bible teaching. Full nursery

and preschool programs

available at both services

Contact: 734-453-5534

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sbc4christ.org

Contact: 734-453-0326

Trail, west of Haggerty

10:45 a.m. Sunday

p.m. Saturday or by appoint-

Location: 47650 N. Territorial

» Plymouth Baptist Church

through 3 p.m. Friday in the

urday Vigil Mass; 8 a.m., 10

a.m., noon and 5 p.m. Sunday

Location: 42200 Tyler, Belle-

» Our Lady of Good Counsel

Ave., Redford

Location: 26500 Grand River

Email event information for this calendar to Sharon Dargay, sdargay@hometownlife.com.

JULY **CAR SHOW**

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, July 16 Location: St. Michael the Archangel Church, 11441

Hubbard, Livonia Details: The lot will open for participants at 8 a.m. Cars must be in place no later than 11 a.m. \$10 covers participation and car owner's goodie bag. Voting will take place throughout the day, with the awards ceremony at 2:30 p.m. .Door prizes will be drawn every hour and there will be additional activities and food available

Contact: livoniastmichael.org COMMONGROUND

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, July 22

Location: Connection Church, 3855 S. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Women and girls, 12 and over, from more than 30 churches will gather for worship to live music and an after party with appetizers, a coffee and cocoa bar and giveaways. The outreach focus for the event is Grace's Table, an organization that works with teen mothers and their children. Lisa Anderson, founder, will be the guest speaker. CommonGround will collect diapers, sizes 2-6, refill pack-ages of moist wipes, \$10 Meijer gas cards and \$10 Starbucks gift cards, for donation to Grace's Table Contact: 734-397-1777

CONCERT

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. Saturday, July 30

Location: Church of the Holy Spirit, 3700 Harvey Lake Road, Highland

Details: The Paradise Band, Elvis Lives and The Soulmen perform in an outdoor concert. \$15 advance tickets; \$20 at the door

Contact: 248-887-5364: holyspiritconcert.ezevent.com **MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 23 Location: Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Le-

verne, Redford Details: Free Christian music festival with Wise 4 Salvation, 11 a.m.; REIGN, noon; Reggie Williams, 1 p.m.; Redemption Road, 2 p.m.; Krymsyn Grayce, 3 p.m.; Second Day Story, 4 p.m.; The Well House Band, 5 p.m.; and Veracity, 6 p.m Crafters and vendors will be on site from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Gift drawings will be held at 3 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket

Contact: 313-937-2424; hosannatabor.org **SPAGHETTI DINNER** NDRAISER

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 17 Location: St. Kenneth Catho-

lic Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth Details: The peer support group will attend Mass and

gather for a potluck luncheon Contact: 734-895-6246 or 734-452-9149

WORSHIP IN THE PARK

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday, through Aug. 21 Location: Cherry Hill Village Schoolhouse grounds, located at Ridge and Cherry Hill roads, Canton

Details: St. Michael Lutheran Church holds outdoor services with childcare provided Contact: 734-459-3333, connectingwithGod.org

ONGOING

CLASSES/STUDY Our Lady of Loretto

Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township Details: Scripture study Contact: 313-534-9000

Faith Community Wesleyan

Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. every Saturday

Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia

Details: This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if you don't have one Contact: pastor Tom Hazelwood at 734-765-5476

EXERCISE

Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia

Details: Instructor Wendy Motta, a seven-year Zumba practitioner, teaches Zumba through drop-in classes. Each costs \$3. Participants should bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. For more information, email Motta through zumba.com Contact: 313-408-3364

FAMILY MEAL

Time/Date: 5-6 p.m. every Thursday

Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

Details: Free meal

Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12 **HEALING SERVICE**

Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4 p.m. first Tuesday of the month; English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month

Location: The Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livo-

RELIGION CALENDAR

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Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope. Contact: Amy at 313-937-

3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday

Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia Details: All Creatures ULC

sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service. Contact: 313-563-0162

PRAYER

St. Edith Church Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdav Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows Contact: Parish office at

734-464-1223

Contact: 734-464-1223 St. Michael Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed. Contact: 734-459-3333 for additional information Recycling

RISEN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. third Saturday of the month Location: 46250 Ann Arbor Road, between Sheldon and Beck roads, Plymouth Details: Recycle your cell phones, laser cartridges, inkjet cartridges, laptops, iPods, iPads, tablets, eReaders on the third Saturday of each month. Use the doors on east side of church. Contact: Lynn Hapman at

734-466-9023 SINGLES

Detroit World Outreach Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304

Details: Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated.

Contact: The facilitator at 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org **Steve's Family Restaurant**

Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportu-

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton

Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-

Detroit World Outreach

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202

Details: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems

Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244

» Farmington Hills Baptist Church

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August Location: 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills

Details: Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group Contact: 248-433-1011

» Merriman Road Baptist Church

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; dona-

tions Contact: www.metrofibrogroup.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519

» Fireside Church of God Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Fireside Adult Day Ministry activity-based program for dependent adults, specializing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center

Contact: 734-855-4056 or 734-464-0990; www.firesidechog.org; or email to adm@firesidechog.org

» St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. Saturday

Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: A twice-monthly drop-in Food Cupboard (non-

perishable items) is available Contact: 734-421-8451 » St. Thomas a' Becket Church

Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group 7 p.m. Thursday

Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton

Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly

Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322

» Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner

» Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia

Contact: 734-522-6830 » Congregation Bet Chave-

Time/Date: Services are held

7 p.m. the third Friday of the

facilities of Cherry Hill United

Location: At the shared

Methodist Church, 321 S.

Details: Reformed Jewish

Congregation with Rabbi

Peter Gluck and Cantorial

book.com/betchaverim or

email to betchaverim@ya-

Church of the Nazarene

Location: 9435 Henry Ruff

Road at W. Chicago Road,

Details: Service with the Rev.

JoAnn Bastien, Sunday school

11 a.m. Sunday service

Contact: 313-550-4301

» Due Season Christian

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday,

with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible

Location: Stevenson High

School on Six Mile, west of

multicultural, full gospel

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Farmington Road, in Livonia

Details: Nondenominational,

Contact: 248-960-8063 or visit

» Faith Community Presby-

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday

worship; 9 a.m. Bible study

Details: Women's group

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile,

meets 12:30 p.m. third Thurs-

day of the month. Vacation

Bible School runs Aug. 8-12

community-novi.org

an Church

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at 313-682-7491

Contact: 248-349-2345; faith-

» Faith Community Wesley-

Time/Date: Prayer service, 9

Sunday school, 12:30 p.m.,

Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays,

Soul Retention Discipleship

Location: 14560 Merriman,

Contact: pastor Roger Wright

» Garden City Presbyterian

Time/Date: Adult Bible study

at 8:15 a.m.; traditional wor-

ship service, youth Sunday

school and child care at 10

service is available. Refresh-

a.m. Large print order of

classes, 4 p.m. Saturday

a.m., worship service, 11 a.m.,

» Devon Aire Community

Time/Date: 10:45 a.m. coffee,

soloist Robin Liberatore

Contact: www.Face-

Ridge, Canton

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Time/Date: 6 p.m. July 20 Location: Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia

Details: Menu includes spaghetti, salad, rolls and dessert. Donations will be accepted at the door and will benefit a Livonia family in need

Contact: Melissa at 734-765-1827 or Angela at 313-377-0840

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, July 13-14

Location: Celebration Lutheran Church, 9300 Farmington Road, between Joy and W. Chicago Road, Livonia

Details: For children, 4 through starting fifth grade. The theme is Deep Sea Discovery. Activities include Bible stories, music, art, science and games. A family meal is available 5:30-6 p.m. No fee, but registration is required

Contact: 734-421-0749 Monday-Thursday mornings, or online at www.celebrationlc-.com

Details: The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church.

Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners

Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

Dunning Park Bible Chapel

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m first and third Tuesdays Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford

nity to meet with others. Contact: 313-534-0399

SONG CIRCLE **Congregation Beth Ahm**

Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat Location: 5075 W. Maple,

West Bloomfield Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.

Contact: 248-737-1931 or email nancyellen879@att.net. SUPPORT

Apostolic Christian Church Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily

Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia

Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven Retirement Community. Funding available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act.

View Online

www.hometownlife.com

Contact: 734-261-9000; www.woodhaven-retirement.com

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Deadlines: Friday, 4:00 p.m. for Sunday papers . Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. for Thursday papers Holiday deadlines are subject to change.

DeOLIVEIRA

SOFIA Age 14. July 5, 2016. Loving daughter of Margaret and the late Augusto DeOliveira. Dear sister of Alexandro, Gabriela, and Eduardo DeOliveira. Granddaughter of James and Jeanette Schafer, Americo Pais, and Maria Amelia Da Silva, Visitation Sunday July 10, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River Avenue, Novi, 248-348-1800. In state Monday, July 11, 10:00 a.m. until Funeral Liturgy at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church, 46325 W. Ten Mile, Novi. Burial will take place on Tuesday, July 12, at 12:30 p.m. at Calvary Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant, MI. Online condolence at www.obriensullianfuneralhome.

com.

HAMMER

JANICE (NEE KORTEMA) Age 80, died peacefully this past week with her loving husband and daughter at her side. There will not be a formal funeral service or burial, family is planning a dinner in her memory. Memorial gifts in Janice's name can be directed to The Gilbert Residence in Ypsilanti or Humane Society of Huron Valley. Janice was preceded in death by her parents and three sisters. She is survived by her husband and daughter, son-in-law, and two grandchildren.





DOROTHEA 65, passed on into Glory meeting her beloved Lord, The One Christ Jesus, on Sunday, July 3, 2016. Her wonderful smile, laughter and giftings are both missed and cherished in memory.



(optional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional

coffee/desserts), Thursday Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township

Details: Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is free.

Contact: Child care, 248-374-7400; www.celebraterecovery-.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate

THRIFT STORE

St. James Presbyterian Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford Contact: 313-534-7730 for

additional information Way of Life Christian Church

Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through May

Location: 9401 General Drive, Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth

Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in their lives.

Contact: 734-637-7618 TOUR

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month

Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit

Details: Led by Capuchin friar Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality and holiness of Father Solanus, a humble Capuchin friar credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although donations are accepted. Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org WORSHIP

» Adat Shalom Synagogue Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30

a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills Contact: 248-851-5100

ments in the church fellow ship hall immediately after service. Elevator and handicap parking

Location: Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road

Contact: 734-421-7620 » Good Hope Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Communion each Sunday; Bible study 10 a.m. Wednesday

Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City

Contact: 734-427-3660

» Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS) Time/Date: 8:45 a.m. Sunday school/adult Bible study; 10 a.m. Sunday service

Location: 4145 W. Nine Mile, Novi

Contact: Rev. Thomas E. Schroeder at 248-349-0565; GoodShepherdNovi.org

» Grace Lutheran Church Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service and 10:30 a.m. contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15 a.m.

Location: 46001 Warren Road, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton Township

Contact: 734-637-8160

» His Church Anglican

Time/Date: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity and 10 a.m. at Madonna University

Location: Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia, and Kresge Hall on the Madonna University campus, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia

Contact: www.HisChurchAnglican.org; 248-442-0HCA » Holy Cross Evangelical

Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Faith Forum; 10 a.m. Sunday school; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday worship in the chapel.

Location: 30650 Six Mile, Livonia

Contact: 734-427-1414

» Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday

Location: 9600 Leverne, west of Beech Daly, north off West Chicago Road, Redford Contact: 313-937-2424

» In His Presence Ministries

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

Contact: 734-421-8451 or

standrewslivonia@mi.rr.com

» St. John Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday; traditional worship at 9 a.m. Sunday; and contemporary service at 11:15 a.m. Sunday. Beginning Oct. 11, one 10 a.m. service Sunday.

Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills

Contact: 248-474-0584

» St. Matthew's United **Methodist Church**

Time/Date: Contemporary service, 11:30 a.m. fourth Sunday of the month Location: 30900 Six Mile,

Livonia Contact: 734-422-6038

» St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday Location: 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster. Livonia

Contact: 734-422-1470

» Trinity Episcopal Church Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday; 6:15 p.m. Wednesday; 6 p.m. Sunday Bible studies and worship center for all ages includes dinner, child care is provided.

Location: 11575 Belleville Road, four miles south of Michigan Avenue

Contact: 734-699-3361 » Unity of Livonia

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays Location: 28660 Five Mile,

between Middlebelt and

Contact: 734-421-1760

» Ward Evangelical Presby-

Time/Date: 8 a.m. liturgical in

the chapel; 9:30 a.m. contem-

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ary; 11 a.m. post-contempo-

Location: 40000 Six Mile,

Contact: 248-374-7400

» Way of Life Christian

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday;

Bible study; 7:30 p.m. Friday

Location: 9401 General Drive,

Suite 100, Plymouth Township

7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday

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Take steps to avoid burnout at work

BY DEANNA HARTLEY CAREERBUILDER

hen vou work more than 40 hours a week and feel the pressure to be plugged in 24/7, it's inevitable that at some point, you'll run the risk of getting burned out.

Here are five simple but practical tips to mitigate that risk and recharge.

Start your day right.

What you do in the morning can affect the rest of your day, so start with a simple activity to get you in the right frame of mind.

"A bad start leaves you in a bad mood that leads to a bad day at work," says Eric Brantner, founder of Scribblrs.com, a resource for bloggers. "Take a moment each morning to do something you enjoy --- this could be as simple as writing in a journal, enjoying your coffee, 15 minutes of video games or even yoga."





or same-level colleague," says Matt Girvan, co-founder of My Gung Ho, which creates apps that help individuals thrive in their day-to-day lives. "I learned to say, 'No, I can't do that now, but come back to me in a week or a month, and let's see if we can do it then.' Often, as that time goes by, it either gets figured out or forgotten about. It helps to filter some noise coming your way."

time, you don't want to become so overwhelmed that you're unable to effectively perform the tasks assigned to you.

"Rather than fearing and avoiding your supervisor, see him or her as an important person in helping to bring about positive change," says Jonathan Alpert, a psychotherapist, executive coach and author of "Be Fearless: Change Your Life in 28 Days." "Most supervisors that I know realize that a happy and content employee is a productive one. Approach your supervisor with that mindset and enlist his or her help in making work

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more desirable. There's a good chance he or she may not even know that you're unhappy, so speak up."

This will help you prioritize and/or delegate tasks as necessary to free up your workload.

and out," says Lynda McKay, vice president of human resource consulting at Bagnall, an employee benefits and HR consulting firm. "This does not mean eating through lunch, but actually removing yourself from the office in some fashion."

Sam Wheeler, a digital PR specialist at Inseev Interactive, echoes that sentiment. "Studies show that eating outside and being away from your desk is extremely beneficial from a health point of view. From a burnout perspective, it will break up your day more, and you will begin to see two sections of the day rather than one continuous workday."

Take time off. It's important to get some much-needed rest and relaxation when necessary.

"Rather than accrue vacation time and let it sit, use it," Alpert says. "Time away from work can help to provide a new and fresh perspective, allow you to recharge and expand your horizons beyond

to say no, especially when you have a lot on your plate already.

"Not every meeting has to be attended; not everything that is asked of you has to get done. I'm surprised at so many experienced people who still say yes to anything that's asked by a more senior

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With F-150 As The Star and Some New Attractions, Ford Enhances **Rouge Factory Tour as Branding Vehicle**



been America's best-selling

vehicle for decades. It also has brought an uptick in visitors to the Ford Rouge Factory Tour at The Henry Ford Museum, an experience that has transformed the Rouge truck plant into an important location and because of a significant overhaul for brand "ambassadorship" as of the Factory Tour itself, the well as profits.

building places like this that recently. It's averaged around they can call "home" -- not new headquarters per se, but externally oriented, experientially based. bricks-and-mortar tributes to their achievements, values, history with BRC Imagination Arts. The and future

Opening the Manufacturing Innovation Theater has bumped up

In the Rouge tour, Ford has had innovation, and Ford is on the rise." The launch of the aluminum- one of the nation's best "brand Lachel told me. "It's a great story bed Ford F-150 homes" for about 15 years. While to tell. And it's a great education affiliated with the iconic The Henry pickup truck last year meant more Ford / Greenfield Village complex than a bump nearby in Dearborn, the actual in sales for Ford Rouge Factory Tour is colocated at the most important attraction added the Manufacturing the nameplate plant in the Ford network. The that already had sprawling, integrated Rouge complex is where so much of the company's storied past unfolded -- and where its present and future, complete with vibrating seats, in terms of the crucial F-150, is being constructed as well.

interest in Ford's innovative F-150, attraction has been turning the More brands these days are attendance arrow back upward 100,000 visitors a year since its opening early last decade, according to Christian Lachel, vice president and executive creative director company has been the lead visionary

the Rouge tour but also behind other branded destinations including The World of Coca-Cola in Atlanta and The Guinness Storehouse in Dublin. "There's an

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platform for The Henry Ford."

Specifically, in line with the launch of production last year of the aluminum-bed F-150, the Innovation Theater, which celebrates the engineering ingenuity behind the production of the F-150 with a multi-sensory film experience gusts of "wind," 3D projection mapping and winking robots. The And with the uptick in public new film replaced a previous "film experience" for the tour.

"We wanted to upgrade the experience overall," Lachel said. "And so much of the truck had changed. We wanted to bring that forward. Also, so much of the Rouge has been transformed inside. It was important for us to get back in there and get kids excited. And now they just sit there and go, 'Wow!'"

Importantly for Ford, the Rouge not only behind Factory Tour also serves as a great platform for brand events, official visits by VIPs, and other outwardreaching exercises in addition to tourism per se.

As with many things at today's Ford, the very existence of the Ford Rouge Factory Tour in part is a testament to the under-appreciated forward thinking of Chairman William C. Ford II. His impulse toward environmental leadership was a

The F-150 is being assembled on the Ford Rouge Factory Tour.

becoming a leader in introduction of conventional-hybrid models several years ago. And "Bill" Ford wanted a "living" green roof on the top of the Rouge assembly plant.

He also "really wanted to make sure the Ford Rouge wouldn't attacks occurred in 2001 while fall into disrepair" after the complex. parts of which are a middle of planning the Rouge tour century old, was showing its age. -- in Dearborn, home of one of Lachel said. "He wanted Rouge America's largest concentrations to show the reinvention of the of Muslims -- "it was surreal." industrial story."

And historically, Lachel noted, "Ford had always had a company tour." It used to originate at the famed Rotunda, the iconic Ford building in Dearborn that once was one of America's leading tourist attractions but which burned to the renaissance in American the ground in 1962.

In the intervening decades, however, factory tours offered is closed July 4 through July 10 for

mainly faded away, in part because of their concerns about corporate espionage and, frankly, because what they had to show off wasn't as impressive as it should have been at that point.

And when the 9/11 terrorist BRC and Ford were right in the Lachel said.

Now, he said, Ford believes "it's important to tell this story, especially with Ford leading the next generation in sustainable manufacturing. And people in general are excited about manufacturing.

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